

Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

- 1 1. (Previously presented) A policy setting support tool for creating, in a
2 computer system equipped with an access control unit that controls access to computer-managed
3 resources based on policies, said policy setting support tool comprising:
4 a first information database arranged by the kind of subject containing sample
5 policies prepared as standard or recommended policies, an access log holding a history of the
6 normal behavior of the subject, and installation information including the path to the subject
7 installed in said computer system;
8 a second information database arranged by the kind of object containing
9 association information representing the subjects that are most frequently used to access the
10 object;
11 an access monitoring unit for monitoring the behavior of the subject and recording
12 it in said access log;
13 a differential detection unit for collating said installation information with said
14 sample policy and detecting the differences between them;
15 a policy creation unit for creating a draft policy based on said sample policy, said
16 association information, and said differences detected by said differential detection unit; and
17 a user interface unit for presenting said draft policy to the user, revising said draft
18 policy as directed by the user, and saving the revised policy as the final policy.
- 1 2. (Original) The policy setting support tool of claim 1, further comprising:
2 a unit for creating a draft policy from one or more of said sample policy, said
3 association information, and said access log, in accordance with the directions given by the user
4 through said user interface unit, and

5 a unit for setting up a policy by accepting requests for revising said draft policy
6 and saving the revised policy.

1 3. (Previously presented) A policy setting support tool for maintaining, in a
2 computer system equipped with an access control unit that controls access to computer-managed
3 resources based on policies, said policy setting support tool comprising:
4 an information database or a set of information database containing most up-to-
5 date information regarding the subjects and objects of access;
6 a differential detection unit for collating the most up-to-date information
7 regarding the subject and object of the access retrieved from said information database or said set
8 of information database with the policies that are already set up, and detecting the items that
9 need to be revised;
10 a policy creation unit for creating a draft policy based on the result of detection
11 produced by said differential detection unit; and
12 a user interface unit for presenting said draft policy to the user for visual
13 confirmation and revising said draft policy as directed by the user.

1 4. (Previously presented) The policy setting support tool of claim 3, wherein said
2 differential detection unit performs the collation and detection processing at regular intervals or
3 at the demand of the user, and upon detecting any difference, presents the detected difference to
4 the user through said user interface unit, and further wherein the user of said policy setting
5 support tool visually checks said difference presented to the user, determines whether the policy
6 should be revised as presented, revises it if and as necessary through said user interface unit, and
7 saves the final policy.

5-10. (Canceled)